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Claims

1. A lock apparatus for a hand stamping device having an actuator frame slidable relative to a base frame to present a stamp platen residing in a frame cavity to a window in the base frame, said lock apparatus including the combination of:

locking heads having upstanding anchor walls protruding from a back wall such that the anchor walls of one locking head receive such an actuator frame and the anchor walls of the other locking head extend in such a frame cavity to prevent access to such a stamp platen;

struts for connecting said locking heads in a space apart relation with said anchor walls extending toward each other for receiving such a hand stamping device there between; and a lock for interlocking said locking heads in a spaced apart relation between said struts.

- 2. The lock apparatus according to claim 1 further including releasably interconnecting tab and slot connectors carried by one of said locking heads and one of said struts.
- 3. The lock apparatus according to claim 1 further including releasably interconnecting tab and slot connectors carried by one of said locking heads and one of said struts for receiving said lock.
- 4. The lock apparatus according to claim 1 wherein said struts are integral with one of said locking heads.
- 5. The lock apparatus according to claim 1 wherein said anchor walls extend in a parallel spaced apart relation from one of said locking heads.

- 6. The lock apparatus according to claim 1 wherein said anchor walls extend in a converging angler relation from one of said locking heads.
- 7. The lock apparatus according to claim 6 wherein the anchor walls of said one locking head have an extending length for protruding into such a frame cavity a distance sufficient to prevent movement of such a stamp platen.
- 8. The lock apparatus according to claim 6 wherein said anchor walls extend in a parallel spaced apart relation from the other of said locking heads.
- 9. The lock apparatus according to claim 1 wherein said back wall of said other locking head is defined by a length and width substantially corresponding to a length and width of such a window in the base frame.
- 10. The lock apparatus according to claim 1 wherein said back wall of said other locking head is defined by a length and width substantially corresponding to a length and width of such a window in the base frame and wherein the anchor walls of said one locking head have an extending length for protruding into such a frame cavity a distance sufficient to prevent movement of such a stamp platen.